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Campus Briefs

Spanish class to visit Cancun

Many students plan to go home over the spring holidays but 15 of those enrolled on Spanish classes are planning a trip to Cancun de Mexico, explains Foreign Language Coordinator John Hays.

They will travel by plane, departing March 16 and returning March 23. Travel arrangements were made by the Jackson Travel Agency. Hays will be guide for the trip.

Cost of the trip is \$346 per student aside from food and souvenirs. In addition to Cancun, they will also travel to Chichen Itza and Merida to study the ancient Mayan ruins.

No one else is eligible to go because the arrangements are final, said Hays.

Interest test aids career choice

Students who are taking general studies, and haven't decided on a major may find help in the Campbell Interest Inventory Test.

"Those considering a particular major, but not sure about it may find reassurance by taking the test," said Counselor Betty Plyler.

The test is offered whenever the student desires to take it. The test may be taken on campus, at home or anywhere the student finds it convenient. It consists of questions pertaining to individual interests. Once it has been taken, it must be sent for evaluation.

"It takes four to six weeks to be notified of results," Plyler said. "The Campbell Interest Inventory Test has proven to be quite accurate," she added. Former students who have taken the test are well satisfied with present occupations.

Students who wish to take the test should request it at the Counseling Center, Plyler explained.

Scholarship deadline nears

Students have only two weeks to apply for scholarships for the 1985-86 academic year. The deadline for applying has been extended to March 15 because inclement weather and other factors may have kept students from knowing about the original application date, said Financial Aids Director Robert Clemmons.

Clemmons said the applications must be brought to the Financial Aid Office in Jenkins Hall by the deadline if the applicant is to be considered for scholarships next year.

"Applications must be turned in by March 15 if the student wishes to be considered as a scholarship recipient," said Clemmons. "There are over 100 scholarships in all, different kinds for different reasons," he added.

Seminar to help write resumes

Taking notes, studying for tests, preparing resumes, planning health careers and exploring physical fitness are some of the areas to be covered during the TJC spring seminar series.

The Counseling, Testing and Support Services Center has planned these seminars to challenge one's thinking, for informational purpose and to entertain and enlighten students, said Counselor Dr. L.A. Barnes. All sessions are from 1 to 1:50 p.m. on Tuesday afternoons.

A short course in preparing resumes is planned March 12 in Room 101 of Fine Arts Building.

The March 26 seminar in FA 101 will deal with preparation for careers in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and other health professions.

Health through physical fitness will be the topic of the April 2 seminar, the final session this semester. It will meet in FA 101.

Barnes encourages students to attend any or all of these worthwhile seminars which are designed to make the transition to college an easy one.

College Board extends try-outs

Auditions for the Sanger Harris College Board have been extended until March 8.

"Not enough exposure was given, and we wanted more people to know about it," said Sherri Chapman, special events coordinator for Sanger Harris.

To qualify for the College Board you must be enrolled at TJC for the spring semester. Members are chosen on the basis of scholarship, student activities, personality, and attitude, she said.

If chosen, a student has a chance to learn about modeling and the retail business. Members also work at events at Sanger Harris. Clinics will also be given on modeling and make-up.

Chapman is director of the Sanger Harris Teen Board, which is similar to the College Board. By not participating on a college board you really miss an opportunity of growth, she said. College age students would greatly benefit from the Board.

"For students worrying about not having enough time to join," Chapman said, "the College Board is not time demanding. There will be a meeting every six weeks. Times of those meetings will be set when the new members are chosen."

'Carousel' promises to uplift spirits

by Betty Helt
staff writer

Music and dance students have just the ticket to spice up the semester.

They will present the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "Carousel" at 8 p.m. March 7, 8 and 9 and at 2:30 p.m. March 10 in Wise Auditorium.

"Carousel" is an adaptation of a French play, "Liliom," by Ferenc Molnar. In 1945, Rodgers and Hammerstein transformed the play, changing the setting to an 1880s New England village.

The story involves a sweet, innocent girl who falls in love and marries Billy, circus barker. He is a lady's man and a failure at everything he attempts. When Billy finds out he is going to be a father, he tries to commit robbery and is killed by his own knife.

Years later, he is given a chance to make good for his failures by returning to earth for a single day.

"We try the type of vehicle that is so strong and so good that it pulls the young people along," said Music/Dance Coordinator J.W. Johnson. "We reach for something and the students always do even better than I expect."

The two main characters are: Julie Jordan played by Julie Wilson and Billie Bigalow played by Rodger Pharr.

Other cast members include: Randy Rocha as Jigger, David Bates as Mr. Snow, Kristi Kleam as Carrie Pepperidge and Mrs. Snow, Maryrose Zeilan as Mrs.

Mullin, Jennifer Bacon as Nettie, and John Kimlicko as the first Heavenly Friend.

Dean of Arts and Sciences Jerry Leard plays both the Starkeeper and Dr. Seldon, the minister.

The cast of more than 50 also includes eight children ranging in age from four to 15.

"Carousel" includes such memorable songs as "You'll Never Walk Alone," "June Is Bustin' Out All Over" and "If I Loved You."

The musical will have singing, dancing and a full orchestra in the pit, added Johnson.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. TJC students are admitted free with their ID. For further information call 531-2214.

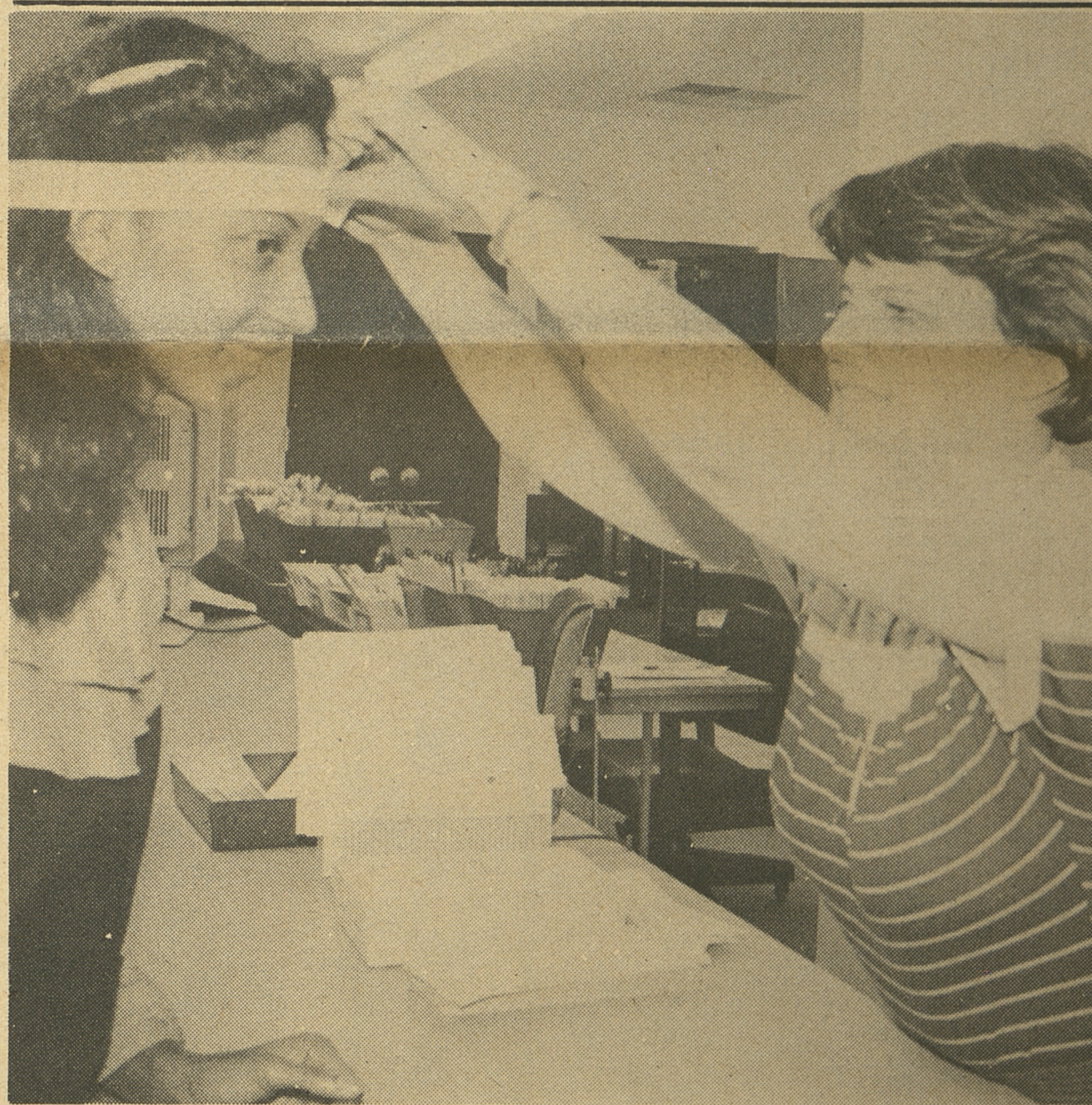


Photo by Betty Nelson

TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY to register for graduation. All students must apply, whether or not they plan to participate in the ceremony. Applications are to be filed in the Registrar's Office. Those who plan to participate in the ceremony must be measured for caps and gowns as Sophomore Janet Tatum demonstrates.

Career Day to welcome area high school seniors

High School students from 53 schools covering a wide radius have been invited to Senior Career Day Friday, March 8.

Between 1,500 and 2,000 students are expected to take advantage of the invitation, said Admissions Dean Kenneth Lewis. TJC classes will be dismissed for the day.

High school students will register at 9:15 a.m. at Wagstaff Gym and attend a general session

from 9:45 till 10 a.m.

Students can then attend two career sessions in 44 career areas. Each session will be repeated to give students an opportunity to gain information on two different careers, explained Lewis.

Session 1 is from 10 to 10:45 a.m., and Session 2 will be from 11 to 11:45 a.m.

Lunch will be served in Wagstaff, with entertainment furnished by the Apache Band and

Belles and the choral group, Harmony and Understanding.

A difference from other years will be that each division in Technology and Arts and Sciences will have displays in the foyer of Wagstaff Gym to help students see the various programs offered by the college, said Lewis.

There will also be a general presentation on Financial Aid during both sessions.

Senate tests trivia skills

Dorm residents tested their trivia skills in the first campus Trivial Pursuit Tourney.

The tournament, sponsored by the Student Senate, will consist of two play-offs, Freshman Class President Mike Gaylor said.

"There were two different

tourneys," said Gaylor. One was a hall team play-off earlier this week. First place winners in this competition will receive \$30, second placers will win \$20, and third place finishers will get \$10. Money won in this race will go to the dorms."

The other competition was an

individual race last week. All money won in this tournament will go to the individuals competing. First and second place winners will receive \$10 and \$5, respectively.

"Winners will be announced in the March 7 TJC News," said Gaylor.

Student Senate amends next year's constitution

The Student Senate recently proposed several changes in their Constitution. The changes, if approved, would revise the Constitution which is printed in the TJC Student Handbook next fall.

Senate members will vote on the proposed changes in their March 12 meeting.

Student Senate President Phillip Ambrose led the move to make the changes because "right now some rules are vague."

"All we did was to change some of the rules," said Ambrose.

The first change deals with Article I, Section 1. Numeration 2

of the Senate Constitution. Right now it reads "Officers shall serve for one-year terms. Oath of office will be given the first Senate meeting of the fall semester, preceding spring elections for student body Senate and Sophomore Class officers."

The revised version will say "Officers shall serve one year terms." Ambrose also said officers would be sworn in at the spring Senate banquet.

"The second difference will be an addition, Numeration 1F to Article II, Section 1," said Ambrose. "The new addition will state 'Any officer having missed

two assembly or officer meetings, shall be removed from office.'"

Article III, Section 1 will also have a new addition. The addition will state, "All organizations must uphold the standards of the college and the morals of the community."

"This change," said Ambrose, "is to keep unwanted clubs out of the Senate."

"The last difference will be in Article III, Section 3 Numeration 1," said Ambrose.

This article now reads, "Any organization failing to have a representative attend at least three consecutive Senate meetings will

lose 'on-campus' standing unless two-thirds of the Senate membership present accepts a written excuse for the absences signed by the organization's president and sponsor. If an organization is excluded from the campus for disciplinary reasons, they will be on probation for one semester, after which they will be permitted to apply for 'on campus' standing with permission of the Director of Student Activities."

The new clause will read, "Any organization failing to have a representative attend the Student Senate meeting will be fined \$10. If an organization ac-

quires two absences within the semester they will be put on probation and can only be re-admitted by a two-thirds vote of the Senate membership.

The last two additions in next year's constitution will be at the end of Article III, Section 3; Numerations 1A and 1B.

Numeration 1B will say "No organization will be re-admitted until all fines are paid."

"All new rules will go into effect next year," said Ambrose. "In order for these changes to take place two-thirds of the Senate members had to vote in favor of them."

Litterbugs cost TJC

It's almost too embarrassing to mention. Fifteen or so years ago things might have been different. Most of us were tangled in the wonders of growing up. We didn't have to think about responsibility or self-discipline. Most of us never worried about clean closets or neat front yards. Someone else always took care of that.

But now any excuse is worthless. At an average age of 26, TJC students still need someone to pick up after them. Such negligence costs the college hundreds of dollars a week.

"We have to hire a full-time man to keep up with the trash," Physical Plant Director Bill Parker said. "That plus equipment costs between \$250-\$300 a week."

With abundant trash cans around campus, the problem must stem from laziness. Too many people can't spare a few seconds to throw their soft drink cans away. Even worse are Monday mornings which begin with parking lots full of the weekend's beer bottles. That habit is as much a danger as it is a nuisance.

Parker says litter is the major problem on campus. While some may rightfully plead innocence, their number is far too small.

As to why this lazy fever has diseased so many, no one really knows. But one thing is certain, the problem can be limited, if not solved. More of us just need to grow up.

Junk food angers some

By Beverly Woods
staff writer

I've moaned and griped long enough. There has to be a solution for junk food. We are all tired of eating junk food.

I have not seen one vending machine that has fruit juice available in it. I have not seen a vending machine with sandwiches in it. No machine on campus has milk (white or chocolate) or granola bars or fresh fruit. None offer nutritional food to students.

Of course, Pepsi, Sprite, Coke, Dr. Pepper, A&W Root Beer, just to name a few, don't suffer with us in this dilemma. Frito-Lay, Nabisco, Keebler and the Mars companies don't lose sleep about our caloric intake.

We do have the option of walking to the Student Center where the choices are coffee and punch, donuts, cookies and candy bars in a wider variety.

Health, America's favorite pastime for the 80s, is preached to us wherever we turn. Physical fitness is encouraged for us to be healthier, thus more productive, thus happier.

Our own college boasts of having the only tennis tech program in the United States and one of the best physical fitness programs in the state. Yet right here the junk food machines have a monopoly on the market.

Can anybody out there help us?

Students should not live on junk food alone.

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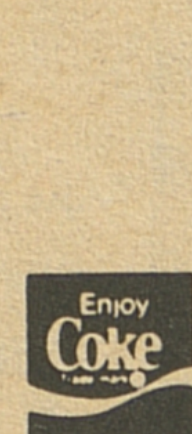
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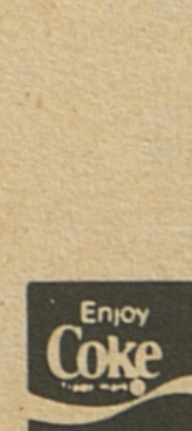
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Students lack preparation

By Timothy Scott
staff writer

Students are not as prepared for college as they should be or even as prepared as students were in prior years, say some TJC instructors.

"I see the students as being a little bit less prepared today," said Sociology Instructor Joy Watson, who was a student here 19 years ago.

"I think there was more demanded of the student in past years than there is now," said Watson.

Physical Education Director Dr. Billy Doggett, an educator for 25 years, 15 of those at TJC, agrees.

"I think the caliber of graduates from high schools entering college is below the standard it should be in the basic skills," he said. "I think the reason is that for a long time public education was not competency based."

But with renewed emphasis on education in the Texas public school systems, he thinks things are changing for the better. And he predicts even more "drastic changes" in upcoming years.

Change often moves like the hands of a clock, in a circle, starting at one position, moving away and finally moving back inevitably to its starting point.

Speech Instructor Clarence Strickland, a 23-year veteran of the educational battlefield, thinks today's student is more like the student of 25 years ago than

his counterpart 15 years ago.

"My generation was working on kind of a society-oriented basis," he said. "Then society began to get more me-oriented, where what became important was me, my own gratification, my own fulfillment."

"I'm here, what the hell are you doing for me," was the attitude of some college students in the Vietnam era," says Strickland, as they tried "to shock everybody and break away from the establishment."

But he thinks the hands have swung around again.

"People (students) are becoming more goal-oriented, establishment-oriented. The attitude is shifting toward a socially conscious attitude rather than a personally conscious attitude," he says.

From outward appearances, students seem to be more serious, more in the general stream of things," said Doggett.

Attitudes change but the characteristics of excellence appear to be the same in any era.

"I think a good student has to have motivation--a sincere need to achieve--and at least average intelligence," said Watson.

Shifting attitudes could be called the sign of a vital society. College campuses are a miniature mirror of society.

"Society tends to run in cycles and, naturally, youth are going to be the ones which reflect that change more than most," said Strickland.



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HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY INSTRUCTOR ROBERT GLOVER purchases a cookbook from Jeanine Adair, vice president of the Educational Support Staff Association. The books are being sold to raise money for an office occupations scholarship.

Scholarships lift money burden

By Carole Groves
staff writer

Money is a major obstacle many must overcome before a college education can become a possibility, much less a reality. Lack of funds was once the primary reason for not seeking higher education, but with numerous financial assistance programs available, most serious students should be able to find help with the crunch, says Financial Aid Director Robert Clemmons.

According to facts available in the student financial aid office, help is available. Several different forms offer varying programs designed to suit most needs. Scholarships, grants, work study programs and loans along with the veterans' GI Bill and help from the Texas Rehabilitation Commission are the most frequently sought forms of assistance, he said.

Scholarships awarded for academic excellence often require specific majors or interests of students applying for them. Local organizations and businesses sponsor some scholarships. Others are memorials to individuals.

Such grants include the Pell Grant, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) and Texas Public Education Grant (TPEG). All grants are bas-

ed on financial need and require application for federal student aid be completed to determine eligibility. Full-time enrollment is usually required for SEOG and TPEG while Pell Grants can be awarded to students enrolled at least half time.

Guaranteed Student Loans are possible for students enrolled at least half time. Loans up to \$2,500 per year can be obtained for college expenses.

College work-study programs are available on a limited basis. Minimum wage is paid monthly to students who work an average of five to ten hours per week.

Student assistant positions are another way of earning money needed for college expenses. Students are paid minimum wage.

Short-term tuition loans are possible for students who show means of repayment and have properly met past obligations at TJC.

Veterans can seek aid provided under the GI Bill of Rights and disabled students often receive benefits through the TRC.

Additional information on all forms of financial aid and applications can be obtained at the student financial aid office in Jenkins Hall.

Newsman advises journalism students

By Diane Dickerson, Jeanette Kress
and Tatia Rogers
staff writers

Nelson Clyde, news director of Tyler's two city papers, told sophomore journalism students last week that each person must set his or her own goals and then shoot for them. Once those goals are reached, "set new ones," he said.

"Be the best at what you have to do right now. Then when bigger things come along, you will probably do them well, too," he said.

He urged students to work on their student paper and, if possible, work part-time on a local paper. These things, Clyde said, show up on resumes.

Clyde stressed the importance for journalism students to keep up with current events.

"If you think you want to go into newspaper work, you'd better be reading the paper every day. You've got to be aware of what is going on around you, and you have to know your community," Clyde said.

"If you want to be an editor," Clyde advised, "you need to acknowledge a few things. One, be a good speller--know when to use the dictionary. String your sentences together effectively to tell the story. You've got to be able to write clearly."

He also explained two basic editing ideas. "One," he said, "is the preparation of manuscript or copy as we call it. The second is the implementation of the publisher's policy as to what should be published."

An editor, he said, "needs to learn how to be decisive, when to say 'no' and how to do it tactfully."

An understanding of what's going on is also important, he said. "If you're going to have understanding, you have to be a good listener. You have to assimilate what people are asking you to do."

We have to be fair, willing to acknowledge our mistakes when they are pointed out to us and we need to be approachable. "Editing is a two-way communication," he emphasized.

Clyde described activities involved in producing two newspapers, a morning paper with 38,000 circulation and an evening paper with 8,500 circulation.

"The day usually begins at 5:30 a.m. for the wire and sports editors as they look over news releases and make choices for the morning edition," he said. "During the next few hours the city editors arrive to decipher the latest news and plan updates," he explained. "Reporters are scheduled to arrive from 8-9 a.m., receive assignments and return three hours later with a finished story."

With a noon deadline, the press plates are made and printing begins soon after.

"Meanwhile the next crew is arriving to start the process over for the evening edition," he explained.

TJC President Dr. Raymond Hawkins presented a special service award to the T.B. Butler Publishing Company for its support of the college's journalism program. Clyde accepted the award for the company, which has, among other things, for many years provided a gold key award and summer internship for a TJC journalism student.

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Tonight's game to decide title

Following their final regular season victories over Panola Junior College, 87-54, and Paris Junior College, 80-74, the Apache Ladies began play last night in the Region XIV North Zone Tournament at Henderson County Junior College in Athens.

The top four teams in the conference, Tyler, Kilgore College, Henderson County and Paris, advanced to the tournament. The winner will represent the zone against Blinn College in the regional tournament.

Last night Coach George Cox's Ladies faced Paris for the second time in less than a week in the tournament's opening game. A rematch of last Saturday night's game between Kilgore and Henderson County followed the TJC-Paris match.

"Just because you're ranked first in the conference doesn't necessarily mean that you will advance to the regional tournament," Cox said. "You must win both games to advance to the next tournament."

"If we play the way we did (in Paris) and shoot better from the field and at the free throw line, we should beat them. If we can shut down Paris's Una Fletcher, Darla Bottoms and Paula Fountain, we should stop about two-thirds of their offensive scoring," Cox said before the tournament.

In the Kilgore-Henderson County game, Kilgore was slightly favored over the host although Henderson County won Saturday night's game, 67-61.

"The game will be real exciting and fast-paced because there is so much at stake and the conference title on the line. I would encourage anyone who can to go to the games and to give support to our team," Cox said.

Tonight the two winners will meet each other at 7:30 p.m. in the HCJC gym to decide the conference title.

The tournament winner will go on to face Blinn College in Brenham for regional title. The Ladies won all four regular season games against Blinn with scores ranging from a 100-57 blowout to a close 69-68 victory.

Tennis tech scores

Four of the seven students Recreation Leadership Coordinator, Steve Smith took to the United States Tennis Academy in California scored in the top five of their class on the teaching pro certification exam.

Jennifer Roberts who teaches tennis tech and physical education courses here finished first in her class on the written part of the exam.

Mike Nicholas, Doug Passet and Mike Thomas were the other three scoring in the top five.

Other who made the trip are: Idea Amigo, Malkam Mickphalem and Brad Trinkele.

This is the third year Smith has taken students to the California Academy where he once worked to take the exam.

In 1983, five of the 10 students Smith took to the Academy placed in the top 15 on the exam.

In 1982 four of the seven students who went were in the top 10 of their class, said Smith.

In 1979 Smith was first in his class on the exam.

In three years, all 24 tennis tech students who have been to the academy passed their test, said Smith.

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Richardson follows father into family business

By Timothy Scott
staff writer

Nolan Richardson Jr. inherited the family business, and the business is basketball.

Richardson, a starting guard on the Apache team, is son of University of Tulsa Head Coach Nolan Richardson.

Though he wasn't born styling a pair of Adidas hightops and there is no truth to the rumor that his first words were "in your face, suckah," he has been around the game of basketball all of his life. He thinks that helps him on the court.

"My father would talk about it (basketball) when he came home. Defense, rebounding, everything," said the soft-spoken sophomore.

Richardson, a stocky six-footer, was All-Everything at Tulsa's Booker T. Washington High School and had such college basketball powers as Maryland, Marquette, Houston, Notre Dame and San Diego State among the 180 schools vying for his radar-accurate jump shot.

He decided on San Diego State, but the coach failed to show up on the appointed signing day, and when he did show up—a week later—Richardson turned him down flat. He then chose to "just go to a junior college for a year."

His father played a major role in his decision to come to TJC, which ironically, lost to Coach Richardson's Western Texas Junior College team in the 1980 national junior college basketball tournament semi-finals.

My father called the top five junior colleges in the country, and I choose TJC because it's not in a small town like most junior colleges," said Richardson. "Plus, my father knew (Head) Coach (Roy) Thomas.

Thomas knows he got a break that day. Unfortunately Richardson also got a break in the third game of last season—a broken ankle. The injury kept him in street clothes most of last year.

Richardson says the ankle is "about 90 percent right now."



Photo by Riley Kyle

BYPASSING HIS OPPONENT'S BLOCK, Nolan Richardson (12) jumps for two.

and he has been a consistent scorer this season, averaging close to 15 points an outing.

"Nolan can be as good as he wants to be," said Thomas. "He has as much ability as anyone. He can definitely put the ball in the hoop, but he needs to work on his defense."

Though Richardson characterizes himself as an "all-around player," he readily agrees the best part of his game is his offensive talent.

Those talents he has honed by trading hand-checks, elbows and baseline drives against University of Tulsa players, including recent National Basketball Association star Paul (arms long enough to box with God) Pressey of the Milwaukee Bucks, as a high-schooler.

"He has the capabilities to be a No. 2 guard on the major college level," says Thomas of

Richardson.

And what college will he choose this time?

"I'll most likely go back home to Tulsa and play for my father," said Richardson.

As a high school star in Tulsa, Richardson says he never really felt the pressure of being Coach Richardson's son "because I had an older brother (Brad) who was getting all the pressure. I was just considered as his younger brother."

But playing for his father, he realizes, will be something of mixed blessing he describes as "hard and fun."

But that's a risk he is willing to take because, like his famous father, Richardson wants to make his living as a basketball coach.

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